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No! The proposed settlement is a joke. Microsoft already has a 90 percent share of the operating system market. So, now you're going to hand them the educational market as well? Microsoft is one of, if not the, biggest monopolies in history and you're treating them as if they paid your wages, not the disenfranchised public.

Microsoft and their business tactics are the worst thing to ever happen to the computer industry. All they've given us is built-in obsolescence; buggy, bloated software; susceptibility to endless security and virus attacks; and countless, never-ending, expensive upgrades. On top of that their practice of stifling innovation and squeezing out promising competitive products has actually impeded the growth of the tech market. All by themselves, Microsoft has turned off more people to the digital revolution than any other factor.

Please save us from this blundering behemoth!

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